

Rural Development and Residents of Boulier Place Celebrate Valentine's Day with Baking Contest



Winner of Treats N' Sweets Baking Contest, Helen Haskell at left, and friend Madeline Tracy at right. The bright bouquet of flowers in the foreground was awarded to Helen for her winning entry.



Lorraine and Walter Goodale, residents of Boulier Place have been married 54 years.

HERMON, February 14, 2005- Many smiles greeted visitors at Boulier Place Apartments, a 24-unit elderly housing complex in Hermon. They had good reason to smile. A baking contest was being held, and the desert table was overflowing with sweet treats like cupcakes, fudge, cake, and macaroon cookies. There were five entries in all.

State Director of Rural Development, Michael W. Aube, judge of the "Treats N' Sweets Baking Contest," selected the macaroon cookies, made by Helen Haskell. She was awarded the first place prize, a bright arrangement of flowers. The other entrants received framed certificates for their participation.

Also on hand to celebrate was a couple married 54 years, Lorraine and Walter Goodale, residents of Boulier Place. They were given a long-stemmed rose as a symbol of their enduring marriage. When asked how their marriage lasted over a half century, Walter promptly replied, "She's the boss, that's why."

Rural Development initially funded the complex in 1982 through its Multi-Family Housing Programs and has invested a total of \$1,115,400.



More Pictures from the Valentine's Day Party



At left: State Director of Rural Development, Michael W. Aube addresses the residents of Boulier Place at the Valentine's Day Party and Baking Contest. The residents enjoyed homemade sweets and played games.

At right: The table is piled high with homemade deserts. These goodies were entered into the Treats N' Sweets Baking Contest. Sweets submitted included cupcakes, fudge, muddy buddies, strawberry cake, and macaroon cookies.







At left: Boulier Place residents enjoy Valentine's Day goodies and each other's company.

At right: A cake provided by Susanne Shaw, Manager of Boulier Place adds to the delight of the residents.



